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Dear Sir:

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, it is respectfully requested that this application be accorded the benefits of Continued Examination. Please consider the Amendment previously filed on March 24, 2006. Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 the amount of \$395.00 to cover the required fee for a small entity.

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